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Consultation into new free school launched

A CONSULTATION over plans for a new free school in Southend is underway.

Southend YMCA is behind the plans for South Essex Community School, which will cater for up to 50 children aged between 14 and 19 who, for various reasons, cannot attend mainstream schools.

A site for the school has not yet been identified, although it will be located in the borough of Southend and it is hoped that it will open in September 2013.

Free schools are state funded, but independent of local authorities. They are set up by members of the public or organisations who feel they can make a difference to education in the area.

They are held accountable to a board of governors and the Department for Education, and also undergo inspections by Ofsted like other schools.

A spokesman for Southend YMCA Community School said: "The vision is to 'Stand in the Gap', helping young people to build their future through a holistic education where pupils will acquire the knowledge, skills, experiences and qualifications to make the successful transition to

adulthood."

The consultation period is already underway and runs until January 11, 2013.

A copy of the consultation brief and an online questionnaire are available at www.southendymca.org.uk/consultation

Principal designate, Annette Isted, will be attending two open evenings being held next month where people with an interest can learn more about the proposals.

These will take place at the Southend YMCA Eco-hub, 2A St John's Road, Westcliff, on Tuesday, December 4, and Thursday, December 6.

Sessions will run from 4pm to 5.15pm and 6pm until 7.15pm on both days.

Syrie Cox, chief executive of Southend YMCA said: "We want the school to be a real asset to the community and welcome the views of parents, young people, school staff, local agencies and anyone else who may have an interest in the school."

VIEWS NEEDED: Syrie Cox, chief executive of Southend YMCA.

Picture by Mark Cleveland



Traders back plans to turn Southend into Business Improvement District

FIRMS BACK BID

SOUTHEND will get £2.7million from April for business investment.

Firms have overwhelmingly backed a scheme to turn the town centre into a self-governing Business Improvement District.

Nearly half of firms took part in the ballot with 92 per cent voting in favour. It now means they will have the power to choose where their money is invested to improve services, so attracting more customers to the centre and the seafront.

Southend Town Centre Partnership has spearheaded the plan and its chair, Dawn Jeakings, said the cash meant a 'bright future' for Southend.

"In what is a difficult economic

climate, Southend getting this status will play a crucial role to the future growth and prosperity of our town centre and sea front," she said. "It will allow us to deliver the improvements the businesses of Southend are telling us they need most."

"Many have told me they want to see Southend attract new shops and businesses - now Southend has become a business district we can work together to make that a reality. It's hugely exciting."

Cash will be available across four areas of investment drawn directly from suggestions made by the business involved - Improving Town Safety, Winning New Customers,

Raising Standards and Working for Businesses.

The money will be invested over the five-years.

The project has also been backed by Southend Council.

Deputy leader John Lamb said: "This successful vote shows the extent to which businesses in Southend Town Centre and on the seafront are committed to working together, to achieve the best possible outcomes for everyone in the town."

"This will help us become an even stronger force to be reckoned with. We are very grateful indeed to all those who have said yes to taking this hugely positive step forward."

The area stretches from the old B&Q site off Short Street in the north to the new cultural centre at the end of the pier in the South. There are only four other similar project sites in Essex at Witham, Hainault, Ilford and Rainham.

Essex Chambers of Commerce welcomed the 'yes' vote for Southend. Its chief executive, Denise Rossiter, said: "Having an office in Southend we naturally wish to see the Borough and its businesses prosper. The creation of the BID will enable businesses to have a real say in how their town develops in the future with funds being spent on projects identified by businesses themselves."

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Log your house memories online

By Paul Giles

AN INVENTOR is appealing to people in Essex to capture memories of the homes they have lived in by storing them on an online archive.

Karl Dorn, who is a plasterer in Leigh but has won prizes for previous inventions, has created a webpage where people can upload pictures of their homes for people to look at.

The 44-year-old said there was no other model like the website www.myhomespast.co.uk

He said: "It's not been done before and we want people to get photos or write about their memories of any of the homes they have lived in."

"It is a part of harnessing the history of where people have lived."

Karl, who won an invention competition for his upside down bowl that stops cereal getting soggy, said he had owned seven homes in the past.

He said: "If I said to you I had photos of your house from 30 years ago you would want to look at them and see how the house has changed and hear about people's memories who have lived there too."

Karl, who has gone into partnership with Keith Fullick with the website, has also made global news by inventing the Help for Husband wristband.

The wristband made global news in 2011 due to its nature of saving men from getting into arguments with their partners.

The band picks up on subtle tem-



HOME MEMORIES: Karl Dorn's business partner Keith Fullick with an example of the website.

Picture by Martin Dalton

perature changes in women and changes colour, like a mood ring, to signify to their partners they are suffering from pre-menstrual tension.

In 2007 he also won £10,000 after creating an energy saving standby plug for Sky One's The Big Idea.

Karl said: "It was strange releasing the band because some women

were for it and some against; it was a little taboo.

"My Homes Past is very different to that and is more of a personal archive for people and their homes."

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Pedestrian injured

A PEDESTRIAN was seriously injured in an accident in Southend last Friday afternoon.

A woman in her 20s, from the Hockley area, was taken to hospital for surgery following the accident in Southchurch Road, near the junction with Christchurch Road.

A black Vauxhall Insignia and a silver and orange Vauxhall Corsa were also involved in the incident. A 34-year-old has been arrested on suspicion of dangerous driving. No charges had been brought at the time of going to press.

Anyone with information should call PC Paul Calpin at Laindon on 101.

Maritime museum

A GROUP of residents in Leigh are setting up a steering group with a view to creating a maritime museum in the town.

The committee will investigate possible sites, funding and historic connections. It is expected that the Leigh Society, Leigh Town Council and Leigh-on-Sea Endeavour Trust will be involved.

Andrea Cunningham, a local resident who works for the National Maritime Museum in Greenwich, will be part of the committee.

Those looking to take part should e-mail Peter Dolby on prd10@btinternet.com or call Mike King on 01702 558770.

Airport statue

A SOUTHEND Labour Party member has written to the council leader to find out what action is being taken to place a statue at the airport to honour the role it played in the World Wars.

Mike Royston put forward the idea when a councillor in 2008, but was told it was not possible due to the airport's then impending sale to the Stobart Group.

"The proposal was supported by many councillors at the time and since then the airport has been sold and continues to be developed under the new owners," Mr Royston said.

"I firmly believe that this would be a fitting tribute to the role that our airport and those who served there played in defending our country."

Hospital newsletter available on CD

A NEWSLETTER for members of Southend University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust is now available on CD – thanks to Southend Talking Newspaper for the Blind.

The FuTure, published twice a year, contains updates on hospital news as well as articles written by the Foundation Trust governors

themselves.

Following a request by one member, the hospital contacted the Talking Newspaper for help in making the newsletter more accessible.

Foundation Trust membership manager, David Fairweather, said: "We were extremely grateful to the Talking Newspaper for agreeing to

record The FuTure and for producing it for us on CD. We have more than 14,500 members reflecting the whole community we serve, and naturally want to ensure that we are as inclusive as we can be."

As a result of the collaboration, the CD version of The FuTure will now be available on request from

David Fairweather on Freephone 0800 0185202 or by e-mailing foundation.members@southend.nhs.uk

For more details about receiving local news and information on CD, or to become a Southend Talking Newspaper volunteer, call Eric Quarumby on 01702 554536.

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Brainpower on show at conference

SOUTHEND Hospital's eminent consultant rheumatologist, Professor Bhaskar Dasgupta, has invited some of the best brains in the field to a conference.

A one-day international symposium on polymyalgia rheumatic (PMR) and giant cell arteritis (GCA) – in which Prof Dasgupta is a world-renowned authority – is being staged at Anglia Ruskin University today (Wednesday).

Prof Dasgupta has been instrumental in introducing a new quick referral system to ensure patients with GCA symptoms receive rapid access to a hospital consultant to prevent them losing their eyesight.

In addition, his definitive classification criteria for PMR was high-

lighted earlier this year in the world's most influential and respected rheumatology journals.

The Chelmsford symposium will bring together expert speakers from all over Europe, and will cover everything from the diagnosis and management of the two conditions to current research projects and patients' personal experience.

Prof Dasgupta, who developed the British Society of Rheumatology guidelines for GCA and leads an international programme in 23 centres across the globe, said: "In recent years, there have been great strides in the diagnosis and treatment of these two conditions, both of which can cause great pain, anguish and debility in

sufferers. I am delighted that we have assembled such a prestigious list of erudite speakers for what will be, I am sure, a highly informative and stimulating day."

Ruth Jackson, director of the Postgraduate Medical Institute (PMI) at Anglia Ruskin University, added: "The PMI is pleased to support this important initiative with our partner, Southend University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust.

"Our ambition is to bring international clinical leaders to our locality and to showcase to a wide audience the excellent work that is being undertaken here in Essex."

BRAINS: Professor Bhaskar Dasgupta.



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Career goals

SOUTHEND United Community & Educational Trust has announced a programme of in-school workshops to help youngsters identify their career goals.

They are part of a national programme run by Football League sponsor npower called 'What's Your Goal?', which gives students across the country the chance to experience work life in the football industry.

Schools can contact participation officer Ben Duncan on 01702 341351 or e-mail participation@southendunited-cet.co.uk

Festive music

TIS the season to be busy for Southend Boys and Girls Choirs over the festive period.

On Sunday, December 9, the singers will join Southend Vox to present an evening of popular festive music called 'White Christmas' from 7pm at the Palace Theatre, London Road, Westcliff.

Then, on Friday, December 14, the choirs will together perform Britten's wonderful Ceremony of Carols, accompanied by Louise O'Connor on the harp.

This concert starts at 8pm at Holy Trinity Church, in Southchurch Boulevard, Southend. Call 01702 303628 for tickets.

Santa cycle ride

SADDLE up as Santa and help raise money for charity on Saturday.

Cycle Southend is organising a Christmas-themed ride from Victoria Circus at the top of Southend's High Street down to the seafront, starting at noon.

The event, which is in aid of SHARE (Shoeburyness Help and Resource Enterprise), finishes with a complementary hot drink in Feelgoods Restaurant at Adventure Island.

Representatives of SHARE – a food bank for needy families – will be on the ride, along with BBC Essex presenter Peter Holmes.

It coincides with the Festive Fun Day in the town centre from 11am to 4pm.



BEST FOOT FORWARD: Dawn Easby and Neville-the-Nepal-Trek-Bear getting ready for a challenge of a lifetime in Nepal.

Fundraiser set for Nepal trek

A FUNDRAISER from Essex Air Ambulance is preparing for her first trek to Nepal and is looking for others to join her on the adventure.

Dawn Easby, who is senior fundraising co-ordinator for the charity, will be heading to South Asia next November to traverse over rivers and hills and taking on Poon Hill.

"I've always loved travelling to different corners of the world but I've never been to Nepal before and I've never been on any treks longer than a day, so I'm a little bit nervous but mainly really excited," she said.

"It's so brilliant to be able to

do something that I love, which I would do in my spare time anyway, while supporting and raising money for the charity that I work for.

"If you're looking for an adventure with like-minded people, check out our website for more information.

"I can't think of a better way to raise money for the essential life saving service that our helicopter and crews provide."

Dawn will be trekking with her furry companion, 'Neville-the-Nepal-Trek-Bear'.

It will be Neville's very first adventure and you can keep up with his travels by follow-

ing the story on Facebook at www.facebook.com/essex-airambulance

The charity is holding a Trek Information Evening tomorrow (Thursday) at Cheshunt Marriott Hotel.

You can also find out more by contacting Essex and Herts Air Ambulance Trust on 0845 2417 690, e-mailing FRcoordinator@EHAAT.uk.com or visiting EHAAT.uk.com

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The perfect birthday present

FUNDRAISING supremo Joyce Long is celebrating her 83rd birthday this month by handing over a £3,000 cheque towards Southend Hospital's breast cancer appeal.

Joyce, of Park Road, Thundersley, raised the money for the hospital's Bosom Pals Appeal on the Road through a week-long garden sale.

The Appeal needs to raise £500,000 to buy digital equipment for the mobile screening vans across South Essex to ensure women in south Essex get the same access to digital mammography as women screened at the hospital's breast unit.

The great-gran received the blooms from hospital fundraisers in recognition of the hundreds of thousands of pounds she has raised for the hospital over almost 30 years.



GIVING: Joyce Long continues to fundraise for Southend Hospital.

Bid for art work



ON SHOW: Leigh Art Trail members Alan Griffiths, Simon Kirk, Ian James and Andy Rose show off examples of their work. Picture by Mark Cleveland

ARTISTS behind the Leigh Art Trail are holding a fundraising event tonight.

The Art Auction, which will be overseen by Mark Stacey from Stacey's Auctioneers, takes place at the Leigh Community Centre, in Elm Road, from 7.30pm.

About 45 pieces by members of the Leigh Art Trail will go under the hammer and there will also be a raffle in aid of the Homeless Action Resource Project (HARP). For details on the trail, which takes place in June 2013, visit www.leigharttrail.co.uk

Three members of the group – Ian James, Josephine James and Simon Kirk – are also having some of their work exhibited at The Estuary Gallery, in Rectory Grove, Leigh.

The Christmas Exhibition is open for viewing on Saturdays 10am to 5pm. Visit www.ianjphoto.ndirect.co.uk or www.estuarygallery.com

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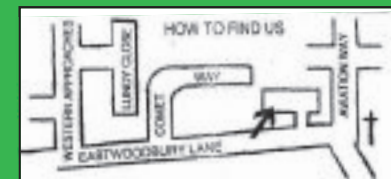


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County sees rise in homelessness

THE NUMBER of households accepted as homeless in Essex has increased by more than a quarter in a year, while the number of people sleeping rough is up 64 per cent.

Figures released by the National Housing Federation show a 26 per cent rise in cases of homeless acceptance – when local authorities accept a household as unintentionally homeless, eligible for support, and in priority need – from January to March this year, compared to the same period in 2011.

Uttlesford District, in north-west Essex, saw the biggest increase of 267 per cent up from three to 11. But there was a more significant rise in Thurrock of 146 per cent, up from 24 to 59.

Basildon had an increase of 43 per cent from 54 to 77, while Chelmsford had a 51 per cent rise from 35 to 53, and also saw the number of families with children housed in B&Bs up from one in the first quarter of 2011 to nine in the same period this year – an 800 per cent increase.

The large percentage increase in the number of people sleeping rough was particularly prevalent in Braintree (up from one to eight), Thurrock (up from two to eight) and Colchester (up from 10 to 24).

The Homeless Bound report by the Federation suggests that the Department

for Work and Pensions' cap on benefits and other measures in the Welfare Reform Act could intensify the situation and see more people out of their homes.

"Considering the difficulties many families are already facing in keeping a roof over their heads, it seems probable that welfare reform will have a serious impact on homelessness," the report states.

Although the report 'paints a bleak picture', the Federation hopes case studies in its report will provide inspiration and solutions in the future. It also puts forward a number of recommendations to central government and local authorities on how to move forward.

Claire Astbury, East of England lead manager at the National Housing Federation, said: "These figures are shocking and indicate that many people in the East of England are truly being pushed to the brink."

"We spend £1billion a year nationwide on trying to prevent homelessness, yet it keeps on rising. The only long-term solution is to build more affordable homes for sale and for rent. Only then will we truly be able to protect people from the traumatic experience of being made homeless."

The group's report is available to read at www.housing.org.uk by clicking on the Homeless Bound section.

Housing crisis at 'boiling point'

OFFICIALS at homeless charity Shelter warn the housing crisis is now reaching 'boiling point' and wants government to start taking action now.

Its chief executive Campbell Robb said: "Every day Shelter speaks to young people and families who are paying the price for a housing crisis that's been left to reach boiling point. Their aspirations for a stable and affordable home are being crushed by rising rents that leave them struggling to keep a roof over their head, let alone save for a deposit."

"Many are living with their parents until their mid-thirties and even beyond, when all they want to do is to get on in life."

"It's time to start asking the government what it's going to do to get a grip on this problem. If we want to protect the next generation from a life lived under constant threat of eviction or rent rises, we have to invest in building more good quality, affordable homes."

People who are homeless or at risk of losing their home, people can seek advice from Shelter via website www.shelter.org.uk or helpline 0808 800 4444.

ON THE STREETS: The number of people living rough on the streets of Essex is increasing. (Picture posed).

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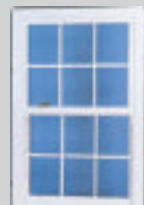
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Book place in author's meeting

A SOUTHEAST man is looking to get like minds around the table at what he hopes will be a regular gathering of Essex authors.

Marc Grimston, who wrote children's book *Zio The Hero*, wants to meet with other published or near-published authors to exchange ideas, tips, support and find out 'what work and what doesn't'.

"There are a lot of things like this that happen nationally, but not in Essex," said the father of three. "I thought it was about time we changed all that."

"It will be a great opportunity for authors to sit round together, have a chat and promote what we do."

Marc and fellow author Simon Woodward then set about arranging the first meeting. It takes place at The Cricketers Pub, in London Road, Westcliff, from 7.30pm on Saturday.

Between 10 and 15 authors have already confirmed, but Marc still wants more to attend.

"Any author is welcome of any age or working in any genre," he added. "We hope that this will become a quarterly event and although this one is in Southend, in future we aim to travel across Essex."

Anyone wanting more information can call Marc on 07861 716635.



MEET UP: Author Marc Grimston.

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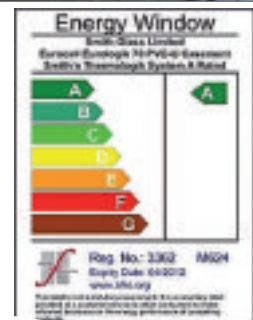
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Caroline Hobbs, from the group, said: "It was a wonderful day, the hall was packed with people grabbing a bargain or having lunch. At one point I didn't think we could get anyone else in the hall. The kids loved Santa and they all received a gift in

FESTIVE: Father Christmas sits in his grotto at Belle Vue Baptist Church.



exchange for a donation to the hospices.

"People were so supportive, the hospices will have been given a fantastic donation and people were getting a

bargain at the same time, it was win win!"

If you would like to know more about setting up or being a part of a fundraising group in support Havens

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Business leaders to offer career advice

BUSINESS leaders from the town are offering free job advice to youngsters at a monthly session.

Organised by the Southend Business Partnership, the hour-long mentoring sessions take place from 4pm to 5pm at the Tickfield Centre, Tickfield Avenue, on the last Wednesday of the month.

The are open to those aged 15 to 19 are led by top business people, who give advice on topics such as CVs and interview techniques.

Previous mentors have

included London Southend Airport's managing director Alastair Welch, Rochford and Southend East MP James Duddridge, and Royals Shopping Centre manager Dawn Jeakings, who is also chair of the Southend Town Centre Partnership.

There is no charge to attend the sessions but places are available on a 'first come, first served' basis so early booking is advisable. Group bookings can also be made.

Southend Council's deputy leader, John Lamb, said:

"This is a really valuable opportunity for young people to find out directly from Southend's business leaders exactly what they look for when they are hiring staff."

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Post Office regional manager for Essex, Drew McBride, said: "Christmas is an extremely busy time for many people and we want to make sure it is as stress free as possible for our customers by offering longer opening hours."

The branch will also be selling Christmas cards that match Royal Mail's Christmas First Class stamps, with 40p from each pack donated to BBC Children in Need.

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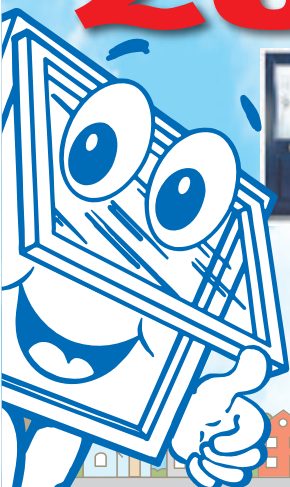
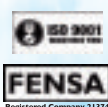
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Call for 'free flow' at Dartford to speed up

COUNCIL and business leaders from across Essex have urged the government to speed up the introduction of free flow tolling at the Dartford Crossing.

John Spence, who is chairman of the South East Local Enterprise Partnership, conveyed those views to Transport Minister Stephen Hammond last week. "Business and councils alike have identified the

Dartford Crossing as the greatest single barrier to growth and enterprise," he said. "At the very least we need to be assured that free flow tolling would happen as planned in 2014, but we believe the programme can and should be accelerated significantly."

He also called for 'significant and swift' investment to improve Junction 30/31 of the M25 and the A13 to help congestion.

The partnership, which represents a combined population of 3.9million people across Essex, East Sussex and Kent, has also warned that future capacity creation on a route adjacent to the current Dartford to Thurrock crossing will not work, and they have initiated work to review all other options ahead of a public consultation planned for 2013.

"It is all very well to increase the capacity but the M25 and its approach roads simply will not cope with mas-

sive increased volumes," Mr Spence added. "Local businesses wanting to operate on both sides of the river would rather have the choice of where to cross if that is economically feasible."

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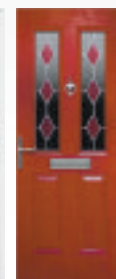
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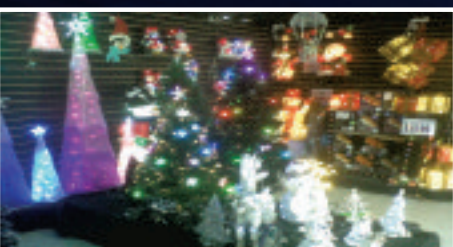
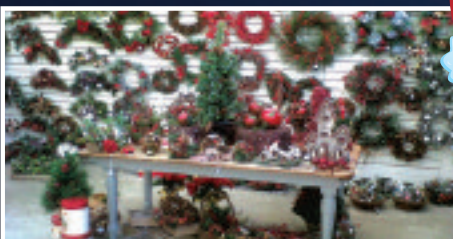
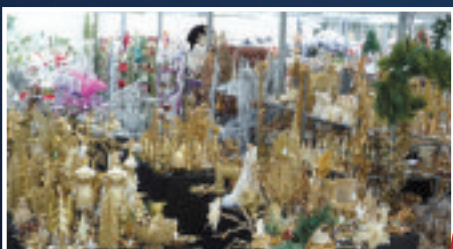
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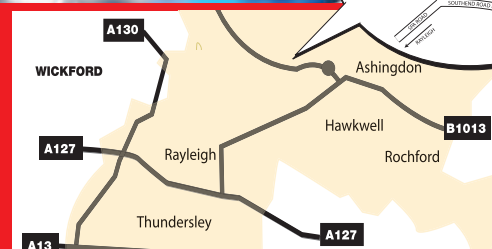


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School presents its awards

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Headteacher Alison Chewlow and chair of governors Francesca Edwards presented to the awards, alongside former student Dr Elizabeth McClelland, who spent 16 years in a number of teaching roles at Oxford University, before becoming an education consultant.

Among the winners on the day was Ella Joy, who received the Senior Languages Prize and Form Prize for Academic Achievement.

Jessica Smoothy was presented with the Eleanor Grace McGrath Memorial Cup, while Tierney O'Connor got Form and Community Prizes.

Tiangie Wei was given the Endeavour Cup and Form Prize, having arrived in England aged 12 unable to speak English and going on to achieve the highest of academic standards.



Roxanne Armfield, Elizabeth Champion, Hannah Davis and Sarah Wilson got awards for gaining 10 or more A* grades at GCSE, while Caroline Purvis and Tierney O'Connor attained at least six A grades at AS Level.

Helping the bankers

STUDENTS at the Peter Jones Enterprise Academy are finding innovative ways to change the country's banking system.

The challenge was set by business and financial advisory Grant Thornton UK LLP and students have been tasked with identifying pioneering new ways that banks could brand themselves to have a commercial edge amongst younger customers.

Entrants from South Essex College will have four minutes to present their ideas for how banks can better engage with the post-crash generation.

Their presentation video will be viewed by the judging panel that will then select the six short-listed teams to go forward and attend the live pitch final at the Grant Thornton office in London today (Wednesday).

BTEC Level 3 Enterprise and Entrepreneurship student Amer Suljic, 18, from Southend, said: "The challenge really helped us to excel as individuals and as a team to produce a high quality outcome in a realistic business scenario."

Alice Barnard, chief executive of the Peter Jones Enterprise Academy, said: "This competi-



IDEAS: Daniel Brandajs and Amer Suljic have been part of the process.

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A whole host of Christmas goodies – from knitted cardigans to craft items – are on sale every Thursday at the fundraising unit in the outpatients department at the hospital from 8am to 3pm.

The dynamic duo, both from Thorpe Bay, have been supporting Southend Hospital for almost 30 years and have raised more than £250,000 for the benefit of hospital patients.

“There are plenty of little gift ideas – interesting wooden children’s toys, that sort of thing,” said Maureen.

All proceeds go to the Bosom Pals Appeal On The Road £500,000 to buy digital equipment for the mobile screening vans across South Essex to ensure women in south Essex get the same access to digital mammography as women screened at the hospital’s breast unit.



It follows the hospital’s successful £750,000 Bosom Pals Appeal, which has funded two digital mammography machines for the earlier detection of smaller breast cancers, as well as associated IT equipment for the hospital’s breast unit.

Apply for a High Sheriff grant

VOLUNTARY and community organisations are being urged to apply to the High Sheriffs’ Awards Scheme for recognition and grants.

Grants of up to £1,000 are available to groups that are working to make their local communities safer places to live and work.

In addition, the awards also offer recognition to people who have made an outstanding contribution to their community. However, applications for either must be received by Saturday, December 1

Christopher Palmer-Tomkinson, High Sheriff of Essex (pictured), said: “My year as High Sheriff has enabled me to meet some amazing people and visit so many voluntary organisations that are work-

ing with local people to keep our communities safe from crime.

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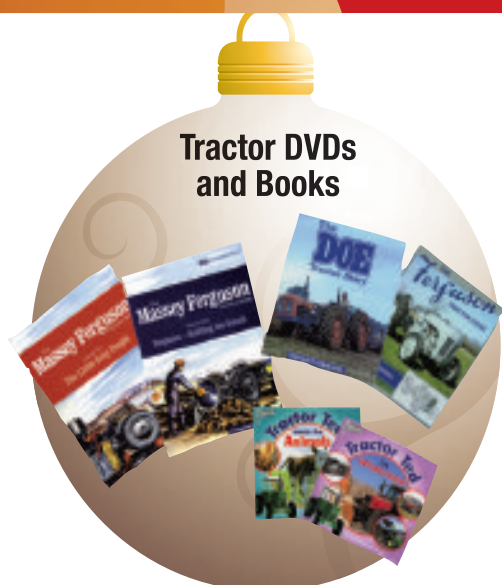
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■ Opinion and readers' letters

Thank you for election coverage

MAY I thank you for the coverage you gave to the recent Police and Crime Commissioner election.

Many have said that it was hard to find out about the candidates but it would have been much more difficult without the information you published. The special feature you carried was excellent.

I would also like to thank everyone who voted in the election especially given the uncertainties about the role of the PCC and the election itself.

I am looking forward to visiting all the districts around the county to hear more of views and concerns about crime and policing. I will be working hard for everyone in Essex over the next few years as together we seek to make Essex safer for us all.

Nick Alston
Essex Police and Crime Commissioner

...and I agree

CONGRATULATIONS on your Election Special: Police and Crime Commissioners dated 31 October which gave a very clear profile of each candidate.

This enabled your readership

to make informed decisions regarding this important post. From the Media it seems many areas did not receive this information.

Thank you again for an excellent and helpful article.

G. Holland, Southend

These police commissioner elections have proved to be a farce

ESSEX has spoken. But it is a very mixed message.

Was it apathy that resulted in the lowest turnout for any election ever?

It is much more likely that the result of Essex's 12.81 per cent turnout was as much to do with lack of information about the candidates while some people were definitely objecting to the whole idea of replacing the Essex Police Authority with a Commissioner who is to receive an annual salary in the region of £85,000.

There was a high instance of 'spoiled' ballot papers across the country, up to four per cent in some areas. Again this is unprecedented.

Here in Essex two per cent of votes were spoiled. For the sake of rounding this low figure down results in that less

than 11 per cent of votes actually counting towards the election of the Essex Police and Crime Commissioner candidates list.

This gets worse when you realise that the victor, Nick Alston, Conservative, has received a mandate of a mere six per cent to undertake a role which will affect how Essex Police prioritises crime, who allocates the budget and has the ability to hire and fire the Chief Constable if need be.

I wouldn't like to be in Mr Aston's shoes with such a small mandate from the people of Essex.

Speaking for myself, I received no information on the candidates except that which appeared in one of my local free papers. I have no idea whether this appointment has gone to someone capable of doing this job and neither has anyone else.

It's not like there has been an adequate interview process where we might have known what skills and competence each candidate possessed.

What references were available to support the candidates? This a paid position, who will undertake any necessary support and training as required for these new commissioners? What are to ongoing costs?

These are the questions most of us are familiar with when we apply for a new job, especially one where the salary is £85k.

This is such a responsible position and potentially could

be disastrous for us as well as for the effective functioning of our police force.

We were never asked if we even wanted the old authorities to go. They may have not been democratic but neither is this new one, whatever the Government say?

The Government spent over £1million on this election and still we were inadequately prepared for the decisions required.

Across the country, many independent candidates were elected to rule out political bias. It was a great pity that one of the Essex candidates, who had had four years experience as an independent member of the Essex Police Authority and a female was knocked out in the first round.

She at least had relevant, related experience and idea of what the responsibilities would have been offering continuity.

Sadly we are still overlooking competent and well qualified women.

Across the country, 35 women stood and only six were elected. This suggests to me that we remain committed to a male-dominated power base. There are now 35 male commissioners to six female.

How sad that in Essex we choose to continue to follow the old stereotypes.

Well, at least prisoners are not permitted to vote, but it might have been interesting if they had.

Who better qualified or with more insightful opinions than the rest of us about this election? Quite ironic really. I look forward to a day when real democracy takes place, because it certainly hasn't happened in this instance.

Jane Ward, Leigh on Sea

Is there still any doubt about Havens?

THAT'S the trouble with episodic hysterics ... you wait absolutely ages for one to come along in these pages and would you believe it, there's another right behind!

For hot on the heels of Karl Carpenter's 'absolutely despicable and misguided' Havens Hospices we now have Name and Address Supplier's 'Why? Why? Why?' Havens (YA Nov 21st).

As if anyone could possibly remain in any doubt now about the wheres and whyfores of a hospice at this spot and the strength of feeling for it as a result, conspiracy theorists and the less than level-headed notwithstanding.

But can anyone truthfully deny that this new hospice is not desperately needed?

Can anyone truthfully deny that green belt plots are often the only answer to the needs of up-to-date modern hospice provision in Britain today?

Can anyone truthfully deny

that this rather insignificant end-bit of green belt in Leigh is the only available plot in the borough that can meet those needs ... this without affecting public access to some wonderful open countryside hereabouts one iota?

And can anyone truthfully deny that an appeal is but the second part of the democratic planning process when the first part has patently – and blatantly – sided with the usual suspects living in Nimbyland – with inordinate political influence way beyond their confines – who are trying to deny the people of this borough the hospice they deserve at a spot it deserves to be built on?

Have this appeal ... get our hospice built ... and let them get over it.

John Haran, Leigh

Politicians are useless

WE MUST have the most useless lot of politicians that this country has ever produced.

The government's latest scheme is to increase the amount of money by billions so that the carbon emissions in our electricity will be cleaner, therefore increasing the fuel bills in this country by a further £130 per year.

On one hand we have Cameron telling us that they are telling the utilities companies to sort out there tariffs to make energy cheaper, they then announce that they are increasing funds to lower even further carbon emissions, which will make our fuel bills even higher.

And they wonder the number of people voting is at its lowest ever. You couldn't make it up!

Mr S Mitchell, Westcliff

Writing a book about evacuees

IT IS now 70-odd years since some three million children living in the expected target areas for German bombs were moved to places of comparative safety in the country.

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I am planning to publish a book of the reminiscences of former evacuees, and would like anyone wishing to contribute to contact me. In the first instance all I need is a

name, address and phone number or email address, after which I will be in touch.

Brian Davis, Wayletts, Brentwood Road, Brentwood, Essex CM13 3SH e-mail brianwayletts@yahoo.com

Why is postal service in such a state?

I HAVE a 'chicken and egg' question for your readers.

Does the postal service in this country offer poor service because of the crisis it finds itself in or has the poor service put it in this position?

I'll follow that up with an example. I posted a letter on a Tuesday morning with a first class stamp. It should have been collected at 5.30pm that evening and – according to Royal Mail – it should have been delivered one to two days later.

I expected, therefore, that having been collected that evening, it was reasonable to expect it would be sorted that night and posted out the next day (Wednesday). At worst – I thought – it would arrive on the Thursday.

Having contacted the recipient via text to say the letter was on its way, he called on the Saturday to explain it had still not arrived.

'That's lost then,' a friend told me, which was a concern because I had posted a cheque.

Thankfully, on that front, the recipient called me on the next Tuesday to say it had arrived.

And so the letter had taken a full seven days to arrive at its destination.

I checked on the Royal Mail website and even a lowly second class stamped letter should have been there sooner. In fact, none of its delivery options should have taken that amount of time.

I haven't contacted Royal Mail, because I do not see the point. In the end my letter got there and it is unlikely any employee there – manager or otherwise – could give an explanation of why this individual letter took so long.

And I am not into the compensation culture where I need to be rewarded for my misfortune.

But, hopefully, a postman or Royal Mail employee may read this and be able to lift the lid on the current situation.

If a delivery firm promises to deliver your letter in one to two days and in fact does it in seven, there is a problem.

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It meets on the first Wednesday of every month in the Council Chamber of Southend Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue. However, meeting dates may change during school holidays.

Annual elections are held for Southend Youth Mayor and Deputy Youth Mayor.

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Southend Youth Mayor, Zeeshan Mitha said: "Southend Youth Council is for young people throughout the borough, so we hope as many as possible will come along to find out more about what

we do, and raise matters they would like to address.

"This is a golden opportunity to continue to make sure our voices are heard."

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PC Nicola Outen, the investigating officer, said: "The 16-year-old girl boarded the train at Southend Central and sat in the middle of the fourth carriage, next to the window.

"A man came over and sat opposite her and indecently exposed himself. He then got up and walked away.

"Incidents like this are very rare, but this was clearly a very distressing and intimidating experience for the victim. We'll do everything in our power to catch the person responsible."

Investigators have now released a CCTV image of a man they would like to speak to in connection with the incident.

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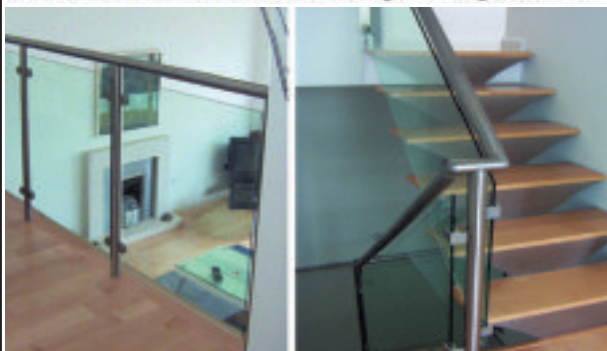
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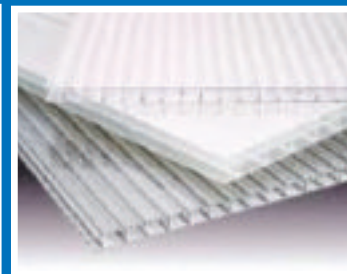
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Ornamental lake is a visitor magnet

LIZ WADE enjoys a day out at Connaught Water and takes in 'the people's forest' fit for a Queen

IT is almost quite easy to picture the past on Connaught Water, of paddling youngsters, boating families and even ice skaters in the winter.

The ornamental lake, which is now just home to fish and fauna, animals and insects, may have changed in its use over the years, but it is still a magnet for local families and visitors alike.

I think this is down to its tranquil setting in Epping Forest - a welcome contrast from local bustling towns - and the fact that ever since Queen Victoria dedicated the area as 'the people's forest' in 1882, the former royal forest has remained under the care of the City of London Corporation.

Connaught Water began life in 1880 as a much smaller pond that was used to drain marshy parts of Hill Wood, Fairmead Bottom and Thicket, for the benefit of commoners' cattle.

During its early days it was used as a paddling pond, but in 1888 a lady by the name of Miss Searle was granted the concession to provide rowing boats.

Around 1894 the pond was expanded, and dug by hand, to cover an area of four hectares, complete with two landscaped islands planted with trees.

As the lake, named after the first Ranger of the Forest, Queen Victoria's son Arthur, the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, isn't very deep, it actually used to freeze over in the bitterly cold winters of the early 20th Century.

But while skaters frequently used it during the winter months, and warmed themselves with hot drinks supplied by a man called Mr Butler from his marquee, it

remained very much a boating lake up until the mid 1970s.

In more recent years the lake has become more popular with anglers, and today the health of fish stocks is carefully monitored.

The lake, which now covers an area of eight hectares, is still managed by the City of London Corporation, who act as conservators.

With an accessible path surrounding the lake, a woodland trail and recent improvements - thanks to months of hard work by a team of volunteers - Connaught Water is a wonderful place to stroll around.

Two new angling platforms, a boardwalk and more seating are now in place, while the car park has been resurfaced and more plants have been placed in the lake to improve the habitat.

You can either wander around the lake itself and feed the ducks, or take the longer Willow Trail, which takes you around Connaught Water and further afar.

The lake itself is fringed with Willows, Water Mint and Forget-Me Not, and provides food and nesting sites for many different bird species including Great Crested Grebes, Mute Swans, Mallards, Coots and Moorhens.

During the winter months you may be lucky enough to see brilliantly coloured Mandarin Ducks who often gather at its northern end, while during the summer Common Terns sometimes pay a fleeting visit to fish in its waters.

Its variety of wild fowl, who seem to have a never ending appetite for the bread that visitors bring, can especially be seen at dawn in the winter, while several species of dragonfly, and swarms of mayflies and midges in the warmer months who provide ample food for bats during the evenings.

If you are feeling more athletic then you can enjoy an hour long walk along The Willow Trail, which starts at Connaught



BEAUTIFUL: Connaught Water.

Water's car park.

The trail, which covers an area of around one-and-a-half miles, is mostly an easy walking route and also takes in Chingford Plain, an area that was farmland until 1878 and now forms part of Chingford golf course. Other parts of the plain have returned to scrubland, which attracts many birds including large number of field-fares and redwings during early winter who visit from Scandinavia.

A map on an information board next to the car park shows you the route, which begins in a clockwise direction along the side to the lake and is very well sign posted.

The trail, which is a great way to see even more of Epping Forest, has way-markers at every single turning point so

you won't get lost on your journey of exploring even more of the forest.

If you are lucky you may even spot some Muntjac Deer during your walk as they roam the area.

Epping Forest, which remains one of the largest forests in the country and the biggest wooded area around London, is still managed in strict line with the Epping Forest Act that halted the shrinkage of the forest and stipulates that the conservators - the City of London Corporation - shall ensure that it continues to be unenclosed and unbuilt on so it remains an open space for the recreation and enjoyment of people.

It is thanks to this that we really do have a wide range of wonderful places to explore.

fact file

- DIRECTIONS: Connaught Water is situated in Epping Forest, a mile east of Chingford, in Rangers Road, Chingford.
- OPENING TIMES: Connaught Water is open every day.
- ENTRANCE: Free
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- Christmas Table Sale, Leigh Wesley Methodist Church, Elm Road, Leigh, 10am-2pm, free entry, refreshments, proceeds to building development and renewal fund of church.
- Christmas Fayre, St Laurence Church Hall, Eastwoodbury Lane, Eastwood, 11am-2pm, in aid of church, meet Father Christmas, stalls, games, face painting, refreshments, free entry, Beryl 01702 435572.
- Christmas Craft Fayre, St James the Great, Elmsleigh Drive, 10.30am-2pm, homemade gifts and crafts, games, refreshments, lunches.
- Concert, Billericay Keyboard Club, James Hornby High School, Nicholas Lane, Basildon, 8pm, Andrew Nix plays the Roland Atelier, £5 including interval refreshments, details John 01268 415506.
- Jumble Sale, 15th Basildon Scout Group, The Scout Hut, Holden Gardens, Basildon, 11am, all proceeds to the scout group.
- Table Top Sale, St Margaret's Church Hall, Lime Avenue, Leigh, 10am-2pm, open 9am for sellers, £10 a table, 01702 554044 / 476186.
- Car Wash, Thundersley Congregational Church, Kenneth Road, £5, teas/coffees, cakes and bacon butties.
- Christmas Grotto, Garden World Garden Centre, Canvey Road, Canvey, 10am-4pm, until 23 December (weekends only), in aid of BOPH (Business Opportunities for the Physically Handicapped).
- Christmas Fair, St Clement's Church, Leigh, 10am-4pm, everyone welcome.
- Eastern Orthodox Chapel of St Agnes celebrating Divine Liturgy, St Agnes Road, Billericay, 10.15am, details 01268 410247.
- Christmas Bazaar, Leigh Beck Baptist Church, High Street, Canvey Island, 11am-2pm, meet Father Christmas, stalls, refreshments, everyone welcome.
- Meeting, South East Essex Branch of the Essex Society for Family History, Avenue Baptist Church Hall, Milton Road, Westcliff, 12.30pm, talk at 2.30pm by Colin Banks

'When were you born?'

- Quiz Night, St Margaret's Church Hall, Lime Avenue, Leigh-on-Sea, 7.30pm, in aid of Cat Action Trust 1977, admission £3.50m includes refreshments, details 01702 477163 / 527301.
- Dad's and Kids Club, The Megacentre, Rayleigh, Saturdays 10.30am-1.30pm, free admission, games, activities, arts and crafts, for boys and girls 5-17 years with their fathers and father figures. 01268 779100.

Sunday, December 2

- Christmas Bazaar, The Mazenod Hall, St Peter's R/C Church, Eastwood Road North, Leigh on Sea, refreshments, stalls, raffle, admission free.
- Art & Crafts Christmas Show, Hullbridge Community Centre, Pooles Lane, Hullbridge, 10.30am-3.30pm, free admission and car park, 01702 233441.
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- Meeting, Eastwood Ladies Evening Club, Memorial Hall, Rayleigh Road (corner of Lambeth Road), Eastwood, 7.45pm, details Barbara 01702 528311 or Jan 01702 529216.
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- Weekly Craft Workshop, St Peter's Church Hall, Thundersley, Benfleet, every Monday 6-8pm, Michelle 07730 582784.
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Tuesday, December 4

- Tea Dance, St Cedds Church, Bridgewater Drive, Westcliff, 1.45pm, friendly group, details 07767 406194.
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Quirky romance destined for awards glory

By Damon Smith

WRITER-director David O Russell is destined for awards glory with this quirky romance about an emotionally bruised thirty-something struggling to piece his life together after the ultimate betrayal.

Adapted by Russell from the novel by Matthew Quick, *Silver Linings Playbook* embraces comedy and tragedy with equal fervour.

Joy walks hand in hand with heartbreaking loss and to appreciate pleasure, characters must first endure exquisite pain.

No one is immune from an impromptu pummelling - certainly not school teacher Pat Solitano (Bradley Cooper), who returns home to discover his wife Nikki (Brea Bee) in the shower with another member of the faculty.

He batters his wife's lover to a bloody pulp and is banished to a psychiatric facility for eight months as part of his plea bargain.

Pat emerges with a firmer grip on his bipolar disorder and mood swings - or so he thinks.

He returns home to Philadelphia to live with his father Pat Sr (Robert De Niro) and mother Dolores (Jacki Weaver), who want their boy to find some stability.

However, Pat is determined to overcome



TALK: A scene from Silver Linings Playbook.
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his wife's restraining order and win her back.

"Nikki's waiting for me to get myself in shape and get my life in order," he gushes.

Best friend Ronnie (John Ortiz), whose marriage to wife Veronica (Julia Stiles) has more downs than ups ("I'm not OK. Don't tell anyone"), introduces Pat to his sister-in-law, Tiffany (Jennifer Lawrence).

She's a young widow who reacted to her husband's death by sleeping with all of her co-workers.

"I was a big slut, but I'm not anymore," she tells Pat during an eventful first date.

Pat isn't interested in Tiffany until he learns she could smuggle a letter to Nikki.

In return, Tiffany needs him to train as her partner for an amateur dance competition.

The subsequent rehearsals in her home studio salve old wounds, sow the seeds of fledgling romance and provide writer-director Russell with the foundations of a bitter-

sweet jive through mental health issues and father-son miscommunication.

Silver Linings Playbook is a delight, harking back to adorably quirky and sweet comedies from director Russell's early years, such as *Spanking The Monkey* and *Flirting With Disaster*.

Cooper proves he is more than a pretty face, exposing the fear and vulnerability behind his character's torment, while Lawrence is luminous as a grief-scarred misfit who is terrified of opening her heart only to have it shattered again.

Supporting performances are excellent, including a remarkably restrained Chris Tucker as a fellow psychiatric patient who has a habit of leaving the facility without permission.

Molten screen chemistry between the leads and zinging one-liners ensure the film never drags its heels, even in the climactic dance-off that cha-chas rather too willingly to the beat of rom-com convention.

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Comedy/Drama/Romance.

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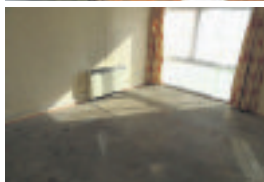
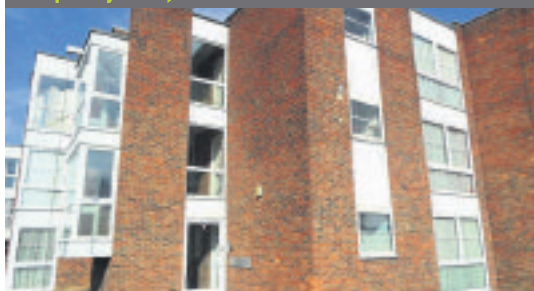


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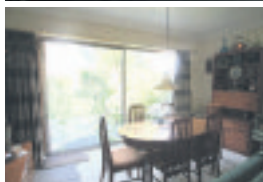
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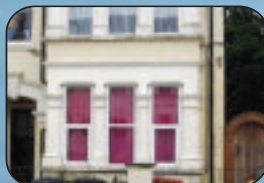
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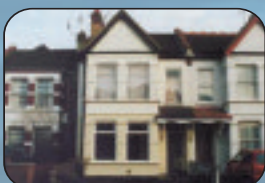
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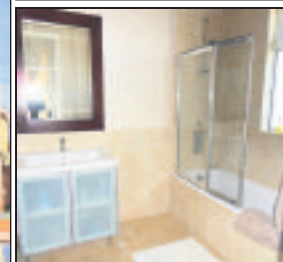
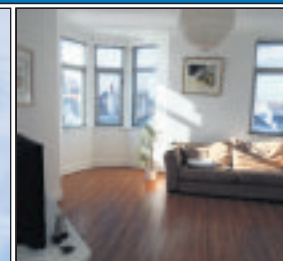
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Leigh on Sea £319,995

STAMP DUTY PAID! As New. A 3 Bedroomed Detached Bungalow that has been fully modernised to an exceptionally high standard, situated in a convenient residential location close to excellent local amenities. An interior inspection is required to fully appreciate the many attractive features. Early Vacant Possession.



Leigh on Sea £255,000

Occupying the entire second floor of this popular block is this spacious 3 Double Bedroomed flat that has been well maintained throughout and offers many attractive features. The property is situated south of the A13 within comfortable walking distance of Chalkwell Station and local shops.



Westcliff on Sea £179,995

A Spacious 3 Bedroomed family house requiring some modernisation offering attractive features and realistically priced to effect an early sale. The property is situated close to all amenities and within 3/4 mile of Westcliff main line station. Early viewing advised.



Leigh on Sea £274,995

Leigh-on-Sea charm. Having views over the estuary towards the Kent coastline, a rare opportunity to purchase this deceptively large detached house ideally located for Broadway, mainline station and Old Leigh. Must be viewed. No onward chain.



Leigh on Sea £279,995

Located in the heart of Leigh on Sea A purpose built 5th floor 3 bedroomed flat in this sought after 1930's block offering views of the Thames Estuary and within walking distance of Broadway amenities and mainline station. The property has been modernised throughout and maintained in excellent order.



Leigh on Sea £295,000

Rare Opportunity. A large 3 Bedroomed Detached Bungalow requiring modernisation and situated in a favourable position on the popular Belfairs Estate. The property has the benefit of a wide, 80' deep, south backing garden. Local shops, buses and Belfairs Woods/Golf Course are within walking distance



Leigh on Sea £399,995

Situated close to Chalkwell Park and within walking distance of Sea Front and Station A 3 Double Bedroomed detached house that has been well maintained throughout offering many attractive features. The property is within the Chalkwell Schools area and close to Leigh Road shopping facilities.



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Leigh-on-sea £285,000

NO ONWARD CHAIN for this fully detached three bedroom family house with impressive block paved driveway and parking area for 4-5 cars, large lounge, superb open plan dining room and kitchen, fully fitted with integrated appliances, separate fitted utility room, ground floor cloaks/w.c., Bathroom/w.c., Gas c/h, keys available for viewing ref etl5020



Close to Broadway, Leigh £385,000

A beautifully presented fully detached family home walking distance of Leigh Broadway and Station, delightful west facing garden, detached garage, charming lounge and separate dining room, conservatory, fitted kitchen, cloaks/w.c., three double bedrooms, bathroom with spa bath and separate w.c. etl5064



Just off Leigh Broadway, £279,995

Three bedroom family house in great location just off Leigh Broadway, walking distance of Station and Schools, GARAGE AND DRIVEWAY, west facing garden, 20' x 13' lounge, cloaks/w.c., spacious kitchen, utility room, IMMEDIATE VACANT POSSESSION ref etl5071



Marine Estate, Leigh £499,500

Outstanding detached house in highly sought after location walking distance of Leigh Station and within the Westleigh Schools Catchment area, four double bedrooms, 23'6" x 11'3" master bedroom suite with en-suite, 18'4" x 11'2" guest bedroom suite with en suite shower room, elegant lounge, separate dining room, separate study, luxury kitchen with granite worktops, utility room, 75' approx rear garden, garage MUST BE VIEWED ! ref etl5061



South Leigh, just off Grand Parade £199,950

A large two bedroom first floor flat situated in a most eagerly sought after location just off Grand Parade within walking distance of Leigh Broadway and Chalkwell mainline station. The flat benefits from its own private garden and Estuary views from the Lounge bay window, Fitted kitchen, modern bathroom new fitted carpets, Gas c/h IMMEDIATE VACANT POSSESSION. ref etl5065



Luxury refurbished Bungalow, Leigh £259,995

Truly exceptional refurbished and virtually re-built Bungalow in sought after location, large det garage and extensive parking facilities, new windows and doors, new internal doors, fittings, skirtings and architraves, new double glazing, new central heating, luxury new kitchen and bathroom, two bedrooms, 20' x 11'1" lounge, luxury kitchen with new integrated appliances, 50' approx rear garden KEYS AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING ref etl5059



Two double bedroom, flat, Leigh £159,995

An outstanding TWO DOUBLE BEDROOM purpose built flat with long lease, balcony and allocated parking space. Great location WALKING DISTANCE OF LEIGH STATION AND LOCAL SHOPS, Fitted kitchen with appliances, spacious lounge, double glazing, gas c/h, loft space for storage, luxury large shower room NO ONWARD CHAIN, ref etl5067



Chalkwell Hall Estate £185,000

A bright and spacious top floor apartment with SOUTH FACING BALCONY AND ESTUARY VIEW. The property is situated on the sought after Chalkwell Hall Estate within walking distance of local amenities and Westcliff Station. Large accommodation with 18'6" x 12'6" lounge, TWO DOUBLE BEDROOMS, fitted spacious kitchen, KEYS FOR VIEWING ref etl5055



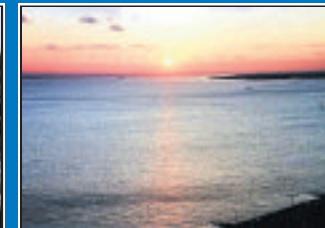
Westcliff £259,000

Fully detached Three bedroom Bungalow occupying a large plot with a superb 100' rear garden with two workshops and a very impressive full width, covered decking terrace. En suite shower room to master bedroom, spacious lounge, 14'5" x 12'2" fitted kitchen/ diner and a Family bathroom. NO ONWARD CHAIN



Chalkwell £174,995

A beautifully presented first floor flat situated in this impressive Edwardian character building on the highly sought after Chalkwell Hall Estate within walking distance of the beach and station. The flat enjoys Estuary views from the Lounge and benefits from an allocated parking space, TWO BEDROOMS, a large lounge, fitted kitchen. Early viewing advised



Fantastic Estuary views £189,995

Spacious purpose built apartment with garage, stylish reception area with lift service to all floors, Tower court complex along Westcliff Parade, two bedrooms, luxury shower room, superb lounge with stunning views, south facing balcony with breathtaking estuary views, fitted kitchen with oven and hob also with terrific views. IMMEDIATE VACANT POSSESSION - KEYS AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING- OFFERS INVITED etl5063



Westcliff/ Eastwood borders £215,000

A most attractive detached bungalow situated in a cul-de-sac location. The property occupies a good size irregular shaped plot with a lovely rear garden measuring approx. 100' wide at the widest point. Garage and parking, two bedrooms, spacious lounge, conservatory. Accommodation REQUIRES SOME IMPROVEMENT- HENCE PRICE ref etl5042



Hullbridge £219,995

A spacious three bedroom semi-detached family house situated in a popular location close to Ferry Road with its range of shops and bus routes to surrounding areas including Rayleigh Station. Good size rear garden, garage and parking, gas c/h, 18'7" x 16' lounge, fitted kitchen, conservatory, cloaks/w.c. EARLY VIEWING ADVISED ref etl 5054



Leigh-on-sea Guide Price £250- 260,000

GUIDE PRICE £250,000 - £265,000 NO ONWARD CHAIN - KEYS AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING This three bedroom semi detached house within easy reach of local shops, schools, Leigh Broadway and approx 1.2 miles from Leigh Station. Lounge with feature fireplace, 17'3" x 12'4" open plan kitchen and dining area, further rear dining room, utility room, cloaks/w.c., off street parking for two cars, 60' approx rear garden ref etl4978



Leigh-on-sea £349,950

Four/ five bedroom family house in eagerly sought after location close to Belfairs woods and golf course, Large garden, garage plus extra parking, cloaks/w.c., impressive open plan lounge and dining room, double glazed conservatory, 16'2" x 8'6" kitchen, large en suite shower room (or bed 5), large family bathroom, gas c/h, d/glazing, no onward chain THIS PROPERTY MUST BE SOLD, SO SENSIBLE OFFERS ARE INVITED ref etl4984

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Hambro Avenue RAYLEIGH

£385,000



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LEIGH-ON-SEA

£240,000-£250,000



Highlands Estate



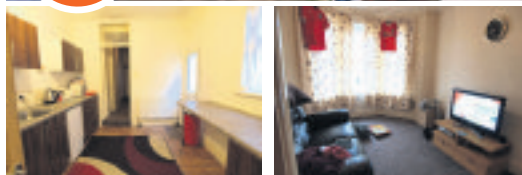
Attractive Three Bedroom Semi Detached Bungalow \ Extremely Popular Highlands Estate \ Excellent Size Accommodation \ Lounge/Diner 19'4 x 11'8 \ Kitchen 12'2 x 9'11 \ Bedroom One 13'11 x 12'4 \ Bedroom Two 11'10 x 11'9 \ Bedroom Three 10'1 x 6'11 \ Bathroom \ Walking Distance Of Belfair's Woods And Golf Course \ Double glazed Throughout \ Gas Central Heating \ Detached Garage \ Off Street Parking \ No Onward Chain \ Keys Held For Advised Viewings \ Call 01702 555888

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FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £159,995

RETIRE IN STYLEWe are delighted to offer for sale this two bedroom retirement apartment situated within this modern complex just a short walk from Rayleigh Town and Station. The property is maintained to a high standard throughout and has the added benefit of having no onward chain.



FOR SALE

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FOR SALE

THUNDERSLEY £199,995

*** A REAL FIND *** A two bedroom bungalow set within a highly regarded location and featuring * 15'2 LOUNGE * REPLACEMENT BATHROOM * CONSERVATORY * 90ft SECLUDED GARDEN * The property further benefits from having NO ONWARD CHAIN and we strongly advise a viewing.



FOR SALE

HULLBRIDGE £199,995

*** LOOK!! UP TO FIVE BEDROOMS! *** An extended and much improved family home located in this hugely popular Village location and featuring * 15'10 LOUNGE* 16'5 KITCHEN * MODERN BATHROOM * DRESSING ROOM AND MUCH MORE! This home is chain free and must be seen!



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £189,995

AN IDEAL FIRST PURCHASE OR BUY TO LET OPPORTUNITY An immaculately maintained two bedroom end of terraced property ideally located for both Rayleigh High Street and Station *MODERN FITTED KITCHEN* IMPRESSIVE BATHROOM SUITE* NO ONWARD CHAIN* This home must be seen!



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £285,000

*** YOU REALLY MUST SEE THIS SUPERB GARDEN!! *** A three / four bedroom family home set along a highly regarded yet convenient cul-de-sac location. ** TWO/THREE RECEPTIONS** KITCHEN/BREAKFAST ROOM ** GROUND FLOOR CLOAKROOM ** This is a REAL FIND



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH OIEO £230,000

THIS IS BIG! **THREE/ FOUR BEDROOMS * LOUNGE, * DINING ROOM, * KITCHEN * DELIGHTFUL SOUTH FACING AND TOTALLY SECLUDED REAR GARDEN.** This spacious home has far too many features to list here AND is only a few minutes walk from Rayleigh Town and Station.



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £212,500

*** YOU'VE GOT TO SEE THIS BUNGALOW - IT'S STUNNING! *** This two bedroom semi detached bungalow is situated within a highly regarded and central location. ** STUNNING NEWLY FITTED KITCHEN *** BATHROOM *** REDECORATED AND RECARPETED THROUGHOUT *** VIEW NOW! ***



TO LET

RAYLEIGH £825 PCM

The Rona Partnership are offering TWO Bedroom Semi-Detached Bungalow to let in this popular location of Rayleigh within 0.5 mile radius of the Train Station. Available from the 1st December 2012.



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £129,000

A RARE OPPORTUNITY TO ACQUIRE THIS WELL MAINTAINED ONE BEDROOM RETIREMENT FLAT SET WITHIN THIS PRESTIGIOUS BLOCK JUST A SHORT WALK AWAY FROM RAYLEIGH HIGH STREET. THE PROPERTY HAS NO ONWARD CHAIN AND VIEWING IS ESSENTIAL!



FOR SALE

HULLBRIDGE £254,995

A SPACIOUS DETACHED BUNGALOW SET ON A CORNER PLOT IN AN IDYLIC VILLAGE LOCATION WITH STUNNING VIEWS TO THE REAR. *THREE BEDROOMS * EN SUITE* 18ft 8in LOUNGE/ DINER * KITCHEN WITH UTILITY ROOM * NO ONWARD CHAIN!



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £225,500

*** YOU'VE GOT TO SEE THIS 100ft GARDEN - IT'S STUNNING! *** A substantial three bedroom semi detached house situated just a few minutes walk from Rayleigh Station. ** TWO RECEPTION ROOMS ** HUGE POTENTIAL TO EXTEND FURTHER ** CLICK HERE FOR FURTHER DETAILS...***



FOR SALE

EASTWOOD £269,995

*** DECEPTIVELY SPACIOUS AND SUPERBLY PRESENTED - YOU HAVE TO SEE THIS HOME ** An extended and vastly improved Victorian style home which features a kitchen/family room, en-suite to master bedroom, two/three bedrooms and much more ** THIS HOME MUST BE SEEN **



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £248,000

*** THIS IS HUGE! ** THREE / FOUR BEDROOMS ** TWO/THREE RECEPTION ROOMS ** KITCHEN / BREAKFAST ROOM ** GROUND FLOOR BATHROOM PLUS FIRST FLOOR SHOWER ROOM ** Is close to Rayleigh Town and BR. In our opinion super family accommodation. A MUST SEE HOME!



TO LET

HULLBRIDGE £950 PCM

The Rona Partnership are pleased to offer for rent this spacious THREE Bedroom Detached Bungalow in the popular location of Hullbridge. The property benefits from off street parking and a good size rear garden. Available Soon.

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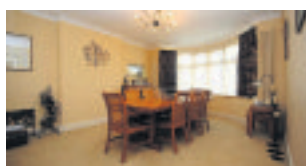


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New



Marine Estate £475,000

Ashleigh Stone are favoured with instructions to market this absolutely delightful character three-bedroom detached house, with off-road parking for multiple vehicles, ideally located on the ever-popular Marine Estate. This family home has been extended on the ground floor which gives the home generous ground-floor accommodation. The property also benefits from a balcony off the master bedroom giving distant sea views. The accommodation comprises generous-sized rooms including a lovely lounge overlooking the well-maintained rear garden, dining room, extended kitchen with remote-controlled opening sky lights and integrated appliances, sun lounge, utility room and cloakroom on the ground floor, with three bedrooms and bathroom with four-piece suite on the first floor.

Heart of Leigh

£249,995

Ashleigh Stone are pleased to offer this delightful, bright two / three bedroom cottage in the heart of Leigh on Sea, providing easy access to the popular Broadway, and located a short walk from Leigh c2c station. No onward chain.



New

Belfairs

£274,995

In a quiet crescent on the ever-popular Belfairs Estate is this lovely three-bedroom semi-detached bungalow with large back garden approx 100ft x 40ft. With the lounge to the rear opening out onto the garden, and benefiting from a detached garage and off-road parking to the front.



Belfairs

Westcliff-on-Sea

£127,500

Ashleigh Stone are delighted to offer this super two bedroom first floor flat with its own balcony with seated area and decked rear garden with direct access from the modern fitted kitchen. The flat is offered with no onward chain. Call now to view.



New

Marine Estate

£650pcm

This is a one bedroom ground floor flat in the Marine Estate benefiting from a small courtyard garden, lounge, double bedroom and a fitted kitchen. Decorated to a high standard, double glazed windows making this an ideal flat for those who want to be close to the Broadway and Leigh Train Station.



To Let

Westcliff-on-Sea

£625pcm

Ashleigh Stone Lettings are delighted to offer this two bedroom first floor flat located close to Chalkwell Park and the local shops. The flat comes with built in oven, hob and extractor and is available now. Call to view.



To Let

Marine Estate

£775pcm

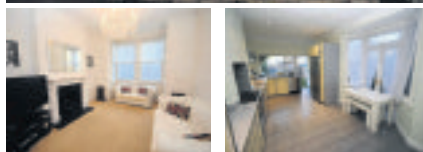
Ashleigh Stone lettings are please to offer this two double bedroom ground floor flat located on the Marine Estate. The flat comes with its own garden, and built in oven and hob. Sorry working tenants only. Available now.



To Let



New

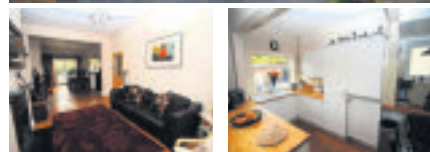


Heart of Leigh £299,995

Ashleigh Stone are delighted to offer this character three double bedroom end of terrace house situated in the heart of Leigh on Sea. The property provides good size accommodation, and comprises two reception rooms, modern fitted kitchen/breakfast room and hall way on the ground floor with three double bedrooms and bathroom on the first floor. The property is offered with no onward chain call now to view.



New



Marine Estate £374,995

Ashleigh Stone are offering for sale this beautiful three-bedroom semi-detached home, with off-road parking, on the Marine Estate. The property is located south of Western Road and a very short walk to Leigh c2c Station and the Broadway. It is perfect for the growing family, offering a large open-plan living area downstairs, two double bedrooms and a good-sized single bedroom. The decor throughout is of a great standard, giving the property a wonderful warm feel. This lovely family home would suit anyone needing to be in the Westleigh School catchment area. Call us now to view

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THORPE BAY £425,000

Four bedroom detached house situated in a cul-de-sac location in the Bournes Green Catchment. Entrance porch. Entrance hall. Lounge. Dining room. Kitchen/breakfast room. Ground floor cloakroom. Study. Master bedroom with en-suite. Family bathroom. West backing garden approx. 50'. Double garage. No onward chain. Immediate viewing advised.



WESTCLIFF PARADE £259,995

Two double bedroom first floor apartment offering extensive estuary views. Lounge featuring south facing balcony with estuary views. Kitchen with views across to Kent. Modern fitted shower room. Allocated parking space. Well kept communal gardens. Coded security entry phone system to car park. Cliff top location. Walking distance of town centre, mainline railway station & seafont.



LODWICK £825,000

Spacious four/five bedroom family house located on the borders of Thorpe Bay. Magnificent sea views. Sitting room with magnificent estuary views. Full width balcony. Kitchen/breakfast room. Master bedroom with sea views & balcony. Gas fired central heating/double glazed. Garage plus parking for numerous vehicles. Large south backing garden. Potential to extend. Walking distance of beaches & sailing club.



WESTCLIFF ON SEA £199,995

Three bedroom, three storey town house located within close proximity to Southend University Hospital. Lounge/diner with French style doors to rear garden. Master bedroom with en-suite. Ground floor cloakroom. Gas fired heating. Double glazing. Parking to the rear. Good decorative order throughout. Early viewing advised.



THORPE BAY £259,950

Substantial four/six bedroom family house located a few minutes walking distance of Thorpe Bay's seafont and Southchurch Park. Three reception rooms. Modern kitchen. Ground floor cloakroom. Two bathrooms. Shower room. 65-70' north backing garden. Off-road parking. Part double glazed. Gas central heating. Potential for improvement.



SOUTHEND ON SEA £119,950

Two bedroom purpose built first floor apartment. Security entrance. Entrance hall. Lounge with open plan fitted kitchen 17' x 15'. Master bedroom with en-suite 11'6 x 11'2. Bathroom/w.c. UPVC double glazed. Private parking space. Close to seafont & Southchurch Park. Ideal first time purchase or investment opportunity.



SOUTHEND ON SEA £79,995

One bedroom purpose built first floor retirement flat. Lounge 13' x 12. Kitchen 8' x 6'. Double glazed heating via electric wall mounted heaters. Some remedial works required. Communal facilities. Close to town centre and mainline railway station. No onward chain.



SOUTHEND ON SEA £59,950

One bedroom first floor flat located close to Southend town centre and mainline railway station. Entrance hall. Lounge. Fitted kitchen. Double bedroom. Bathroom/w.c. Gas central heating via radiators (not tested). Ideal first time purchase or investment opportunity.



CLIFFTOWN CONSERVATION AREA £189,995

One bedroom upper ground floor apartment benefiting from impressive estuary views. Lounge. Bedroom. Kitchen. Breakfast room. Bathroom. Gas central heating. Part double glazed. Allocated parking space for one vehicle to the rear of the property.



THORPE BAY £220,000

Three bedroom 1930's Goldworthy bungalow. Lounge. Kitchen. Approximate 90' south backing garden. Garage. Off-street parking to front. Greenways School catchment area. Close to seafont. No onward chain.



CLIFFTOWN CONSERVATION AREA £495,000

Three storey two/three bedroom Victorian townhouse located in the heart of the Cliff Town Conservation Area. Reception hall. Sitting room. Formal dining room/reception three. Ground floor cloakroom. Wet room. Bathroom/further reception room. Superb family kitchen/family room. Family bathroom. Private roof terrace & established garden. South facing balcony. Gas central heating. Residents permit parking available.



WICK ESTATE £269,995

Impressive two bedroom detached bungalow located in the Wick Estate. Lounge 20' x 13'. Quality bathroom. Separate dining room 11'8 x 11'4. Majority double glazed. Gas fired heating. Garage 20' x 7'6 with a door opening of 7'. Rear garden approximately 50'. Quality finishing throughout. Thorpe Bay Borders. Internal viewing strongly advised. No onward chain.



Westcliff on Sea £209,995

Impressive three bedroom mid terraced house. Lounge. Dining room. Modern style kitchen. Family bathroom. Some estuary glimpses. Double glazed. Gas fired heating. Easy access to all local amenities including mainline railway station & local shopping facilities. Good decorative order throughout.

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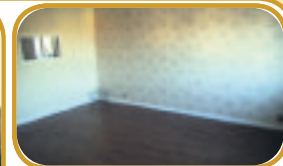


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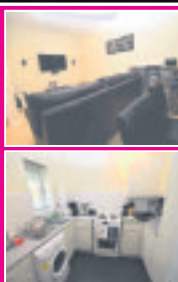
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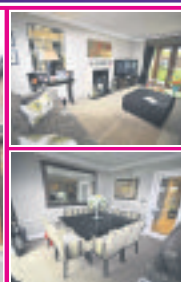
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In the past, adding this caveat to correspondence related to property transactions was rather more important than it is today, since contracts for the sale or purchase of land could be verbal. The use of the term "subject to contract" therefore represented a crucial legal safeguard, since it prevented anyone falsely citing such a document as evidence that a verbal contract was in existence. This, amazingly enough, only ceased to be an issue as recently as 1989, when new legislation decreed that all contracts for the sale of land must henceforth be in writing.

These days, therefore, the use of the phrase in letters of this kind is more a matter of form than a strict legal requirement. That said, however, endorsing a preliminary offer as being 'Subject to Contract' still serves as a useful reminder that it is not binding on either party.

Actually, it's not a bad idea to add the phrase to any letters you yourself write to your agent or solicitor. It's easy enough to work it into a sentence somewhere – or alternatively you can just stick it on its own at the top of the page. However, don't worry if you leave it out!

Of course, the same phrase – often shortened to plain "STC" - also appears on agents' Sold boards to indicate that although a sale has been agreed, there is as yet no binding contract between seller and buyer. Or at least, it should appear – however small and insignificant it may be, since boards that simply say "Sold" are actually illegal. But that's another story...!



ALAN KIRKMAN is Director of Essex TEAM - part of the UK's largest branded network of independent estate agents, with 50 computer-linked offices across the county and 500 more nationwide. Managing Director of Tudor Estates in Southend, Alan has been an Estate Agent for over 25 years.



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Let's get the question of responsibility straight first. It's up to the tenant to clear this junk and any standard AST should have some sort of provision for this. Certainly at the end of the tenancy you can expect them to dispose of it. If they fail to do that, an appropriate deduction could be made from their deposit.

But we take it you want to deal with the junk sooner than the end of the tenancy. We think you have several options: Clear it yourself: Be sure to get the tenants' agreement for this and their do it with their full knowledge. If you have a suitable vehicle, you could just clear the junk yourself and tip it. It shouldn't be a massive job. Make it easy for the tenants to clear: Ask the tenants to clear the junk and let them know how they can do that. Very often your local authority will offer the service and deal with disposal of bulky items. It is often free too. Find out if your local council offers such a service and tell your tenants how to book it.



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Tyres

Tyres should always be carefully checked as worn treads are illegal as well as potentially lethal - for you and innocent bystanders, as well as other road users. Tyre pressure, too, should be regularly monitored. Up until recently motorists in Britain haven't adopted the Continental practice of swapping tyres in the



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Radiators might be sporting leaks or cracks - take a look. It's worth testing the strength of the anti-freeze, if any, in there. Extra glycol-based anti-freeze will boost levels to manufacturers recommended levels. The washer systems also need to be tested and, of course, before long journeys, water and cleaner should be topped up to ensure optimum visibility whatever the weather. Hoses, too, should be examined for any cracks or leaks and replaced if there's any doubt that they'll see you through the cold snap.

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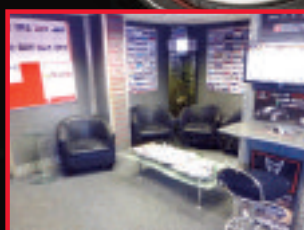
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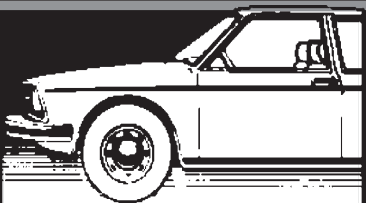
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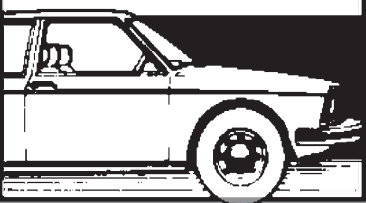
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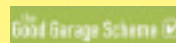
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SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL (Various Roads) (Consolidation of Waiting Restrictions) Order 2006 (as amended) (AMENDMENT NO. 7) ORDER 2012 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984					
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Southend-on-Sea Borough Council proposes to make the above Order under Sections 1, 2, 4, and 124 (and part IV of Schedule 9) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Road Traffic Act 1991 and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance to Part III of Schedule 9 to the act of 1984 as amended by Part 6 of the Traffic Management Act 2004, the effect of which will amend the above-mentioned Consolidation Order as amended, by the adding and deleting of the items listed in the Schedules below.					
A copy of the proposed Order, a map showing the roads to which the Order relates and a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing to make the Order may be inspected at the Contact Centre on the ground floor of the Civic Centre (address below) during normal office hours and on the council's website.					
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R Tinlin, Chief Executive & Town Clerk					
Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS2 6ER		Dated: 28th November 2012			
SCHEDULE 1 - ADDITIONS					
(i) Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Various Roads) (Consolidation of Waiting Restrictions) Order 2006 (as amended) - Schedule 1 - No Waiting At Any Time					
Road	Description	Side of Road	Hours of Prohibition		
Wenham Drive	From the south kerbline of Fairfax Drive southwards for a distance of 8 metres.	Both	24 hours daily		
Wenham Drive	From a point 8 metres north of the north kerbline of Westborough Road southwards to a point 8 metres south of the south kerbline of Westborough Road.	Both	24 hours daily		
Westborough Road	From a point 8 metres east of the east kerbline of Wenham Drive westwards to a point 8 metres west of the west kerbline of Wenham Drive.	North	24 hours daily		
Westborough Road	From a point 15 metres east of the east kerbline of Wenham Drive westwards to a point 15 metres west of the west kerbline of Wenham Drive.	South	24 hours daily		
Silverdale Avenue	From the south kerbline of Fairfax Drive southwards for a distance of 8 metres.	Both	24 hours daily		
Silverdale Avenue	From a point 8 metres north of the north kerbline of Westborough Road southwards to a point 8 metres south of the south kerbline of Westborough Road.	Both	24 hours daily		
Westborough Road	From a point 15 metres east of the east kerbline of Silverdale Avenue westwards to a point 15 metres west of the west kerbline of Silverdale Avenue.	North	24 hours daily		
Westborough Road	From a point 10 metres east of the east kerbline of Silverdale Avenue westwards to a point 10 metres west of the west kerbline of Silverdale Avenue.	South	24 hours daily		
Silverdale Avenue	From the north kerbline of West Road northwards for a distance of 8 metres.	Both	24 hours daily		
Inverness Avenue	From a point 8 metres north of the north kerbline of Westborough Road southwards to a point 8 metres south of the south kerbline of Westborough Road.	East	24 hours daily		
Inverness Avenue	From a point 15 metres north of the north kerbline of Westborough Road southwards to a point 8 metres south of the south kerbline of Westborough Road.	West	24 hours daily		
Westborough Road	From a point 10 metres east of the east kerbline of Inverness Avenue westwards to a point 15 metres west of the west kerbline of Inverness Avenue.	North	24 hours daily		
Westborough Road	From a point 15 metres east of the east kerbline of Inverness Avenue westwards to a point 15 metres west of the west kerbline of Inverness Avenue.	South	24 hours daily		
Brightwell Avenue	From the south kerbline of Fairfax Drive southwards for a distance of 8 metres.	Both	24 hours daily		
Ramuz Drive	From the south kerbline of Fairfax Drive southwards for a distance of 8 metres.	East	24 hours daily		
Beedell Avenue	From the north kerbline of London Road northwards for a distance of 8 metres.	Both	24 hours daily		
Beedell Avenue	From a point 8 metres north of the north kerbline of Westborough Road southwards to a point 8 metres south of the south kerbline of Westborough Road.	Both	24 hours daily		
Westborough Road	From a point 10 metres east of the east kerbline of Beedell Avenue westwards to a point 10 metres west of the west kerbline of Beedell Avenue.	South	24 hours daily		
Beedell Avenue	From the south kerbline of Fairfax Drive southwards for a distance of 8 metres.	West	24 hours daily		
Westcliff Park Drive	From the south kerbline of Fairfax Drive southwards for a distance of 7 metres.	East	24 hours daily		
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Westborough Road	From a point 10 metres east of the east kerbline of Westcliff Park Drive westwards to a point 10 metres west of the west kerbline of Westcliff Park Drive.	North	24 hours daily		
Westborough Road	From a point 15 metres east of the east kerbline of Westcliff Park Drive westwards to a point 15 metres west of the west kerbline of Westcliff Park Drive.	South	24 hours daily		
Northview Drive	From the extend north kerbline of London Road northwards to the northern most point of the build out.	West	24 hours daily		
Northview Drive	From a point 14 metres north of the north kerbline of Westborough Road southwards to a point 8 metres south of the south kerbline of Westborough Road.	West	24 hours daily		
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Westborough Road	From a point 10 metres east of the east kerbline of Northview Drive westwards to a point 10 metres west of the west kerbline of Northview Drive.	South	24 hours daily		
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Electric Avenue	From a point 8 metres north of the north kerbline of Westborough Road southwards to a point 8 metres south of the south kerbline of Westborough Road.	Both	24 hours daily		
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Electric Avenue	From the south kerbline of Fairfax Drive southwards for a distance of 15 metres.	East	24 hours daily		

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Southview Drive	From the south kerbline of Fairfax Drive southwards for a distance of 8 metres.	Both	24 hours daily
Southview Drive	From a point 8 metres north of the north kerbline of Westborough Road southwards to a point 8 metres south of the south kerbline of Westborough Road.	Both	24 hours daily
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Tintern Avenue	From a point 8 metres north of the north kerbline of Westborough Road southwards to a point 8 metres south of the south kerbline of Westborough Road.	Both	24 hours daily
Westborough Road	From a point 10 metres east of the east kerbline of Tintern Avenue westwards to a point 10 metres west of the west kerbline of Tintern Avenue.	North	24 hours daily
Tintern Avenue	From the south kerbline of Fairfax Drive southwards for a distance of 8 metres.	Both	24 hours daily
Ronald Park Avenue	From the south kerbline of Fairfax Drive southwards for a distance of 8 metres.	Both	24 hours daily
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Westborough Road	From a point 10 metres east of the east kerbline of Ronald Park Avenue westwards to a point 10 metres west of the west kerbline of Ronald Park Avenue.	South	24 hours daily
Ronald Park Avenue	From the north kerbline of London Road northwards for a distance of 8 metres.	West	24 hours daily
Ronald Park Avenue	From the extend north kerbline of London Road northwards for a distance of 18 metres, measured from the extended kerbline east of that junction.	East	24 hours daily
Fleetwood Avenue	From the north kerbline of London Road northwards for a distance of 8 metres.	West	24 hours daily
Fleetwood Avenue	From a point 8 metres north of the north kerbline of Westborough Road southwards to a point 8 metres south of the south kerbline of Westborough Road.	Both	24 hours daily
Westborough Road	From a point 10 metres east of the east kerbline of Fleetwood Avenue westwards to a point 10 metres west of the west kerbline of Fleetwood Avenue.	North	24 hours daily
Fleetwood Avenue	From the south kerbline of Fairfax Drive southwards for a distance of 8 metres.	Both	24 hours daily
Hildaville Drive	From the south kerbline of Fairfax Drive southwards for a distance of 13.5 metres.	East	24 hours daily
Hildaville Drive	From the south kerbline of Fairfax Drive southwards for a distance of 15 metres.	West	24 hours daily
Westborough Road	From a point 10 metres east of the east kerbline of Hildaville Drive westwards to a point 10 metres west of the west kerbline of Hildaville Drive.	South	24 hours daily
Hildaville Drive	From the north kerbline of London Road northwards for a distance of 8 metres.	East	24 hours daily
Westborough Road	From a point 10 metres east of the east kerbline of Fairmead Avenue westwards to a point 10 metres west of the west kerbline of Fairmead Avenue.	North	24 hours daily
Fairmead Avenue	From the south kerbline of Fairfax Drive southwards for a distance of 8 metres.	Both	24 hours daily
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St Georges Park Avenue	From the extend north kerbline of London Road northwards to the northern most point of the build out.	East	24 hours daily
Glenwood Avenue	From a point 15m south of the south kerbline of Westborough Road to a point 18m north of the north kerbline of Westborough Road	West	24 hours daily

(ii) The Borough of Southend-on-Sea (Various Roads)(Consolidation of Waiting Restrictions) Order 2006 (as amended) - Schedule 11 - Loading Bays

Road	Description	Side of Road	Hours of Restriction
Westborough Road	From a point opposite the common boundary of Nos 208 and 210 Westborough Road westwards to a point 1m east of the common boundary of Nos 216 and 218 Westborough Road	South	8am to 5pm daily

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Boxing bouts set to cause ripples

Boxing

A BUMPER day of boxing is promised as the Brentwood Centre hosts 'Earthquake in Essex' on Saturday, December 8.

No less than 14 fights are on the card in the Goodwin Promotions event, with the highlight being a rematch between Kris Ageyi-Dua and Nathan Graham for the Southern Area Light-Middleweight title over ten, three minute rounds.

A 6x3 heavyweight contest between former ABA finalist Ian Lewison (Brixton) and Welsh heavyweight Dorian Darch is chief support, while Lee 'The Banjo' Markham will take on the undefeated Diego Burton (Peckham) in a

6x3 middleweight contest and Prizefighter winner Michael Lomax will also feature.

The bets will be flying as Frankie Monkhouse (Canning Town) will take on Shaun Watt in a welterweight clash.

Monkhouse, who works for Coral bookmakers, made his debut back in June and won both his fights against Louis Byrne and Danny Dontchev on points.

The 28-year-old trains out of TRAD TKO Gym, in Canning Town, which houses established names such as Kevin Mitchell and Billy Joe Saunders.

He said: "Having won the first two on points, I am chasing a hat-trick. I have enjoyed a successful amateur career, boxing at International level and am now making a successful transition into the professional ranks."

"I hope to continue that and look to boxing on an excellent supporting card."

Brentwood will have one of its own to cheer as middleweight Joe Mullender takes on Bulgarian Samet Hyusenov. Billed as one of two matches as the 'Battle of the Undefeated', both men have won two out of two fights with Mullender already having beaten Steve Spence and Paul Morby on points this year.

The second will feature Philip 'Quicksilver' Bowes, against Bulgarian Stanislav Nenkov in the light welterweight clash.

Action gets underway at 3pm at the centre in Dodinghurst Road and will also feature live on TV channel Primetime.

For more information visit www.goodwinpromotions.co.uk

■ The Yellow Advertiser has six pairs of tickets to the Earthquake in Essex and a £10 betting shop voucher to give away.

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Rugby Union

Unlucky 13 for Barking

IT WAS unlucky 13 for Barking as they went down 0-61 to Launceston in National League Two South on Saturday.

With 13 defeats out of 13, it was another tough afternoon at the Goresbrook for Barking, who found themselves 0-35 down at half-time as the visitors ran in five converted tries.

It did not get much better after the break as a further 26 points were added in the second half by Launceston, with a further four tries as Barking remained marooned at the bottom 13 points from safety.

Southend sit outside the relegation places, but it is an uncomfortable position as they went down 22-5 at Chinnor.

Samuel Cook got Southend off to the perfect start after four minutes with an unconverted try from Samuel Cook.

However that was as good as it was going to get for Southend as Chinnor took control. James Cathcart scored a penalty while Thomas Gray, William Millett and Adrian Hales scored the tries, with Henry Colver and Millett kicking conversions.

Thurrock suffered disappointment in National Three London & South East, going down 19-21 to Tonbridge Juddian.

They took a 16-15 lead into half time with Frankie Neale scoring a try, conversion and two penalties, while Markus Burcham also went over the line. Juddian kept themselves in the match with Charlie Harding, Brad Tibbitts and Buster Collins scoring tries.

It was a tight second half with Neale extending their lead on 51 minutes with a penalty.

However, Dan Hawkes proved to be Juddian's matchwinner, kicking two penalties with ten minutes to go.

Westcliff's match against Bishop's Stortford was abandoned.

In London One North, Eton Manor kept up their good run with a 15-37 win at bottom side Ruislip.

Rochford Hundred sit above Ruislip after going down by 29-19 at Romford & Gidea Park.

Basildon are looking nervously over their shoulders following their 31-15 loss at Letchworth Garden City, while Chingford lost 30-24 at Colchester while Brentwood took a 11-16 victory at Old Haberdashers.

Third place Chelmsford's promotion hopes took a hit, losing 10-6 at lowly Enfield Ignatians in London Two North East, while Woodford won by 13-14 at Ipswich to move into sixth position.

In London Three North East, South Woodhams Ferrers scored an emphatic 77-10 win at bottom side East London to go second.

Wanstead lost ground on the promotion pack, losing 15-3 at Upminster. Canvey Island lost 27-3 at Cantabrigian while Old Brentwoods went down 19-14 at Harlow.

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| ◆ Middleweight - Joe Mullender v | ◆ Welterweight - Frankie Monkhouse v Shaun Watt (4x3) |
| | ◆ Middleweight - Mark Adams v Joe Jones (4x3) |

Strikers get Blues back on track at home

Southend United

STRIKERS Gavin Tomlin and Britt Assombalonga received the plaudits as they helped Southend United to beat Rochdale 3-1 in League Two on Saturday to continued their goalscoring form.

Dale took the lead early in the second half with Terry Gornell heading home.

However, Southend levelled through Britt Assombalonga's strike for his 12th goal of the season, followed 60 seconds later by Tomlin.

The Blues made sure of the win on 79 minutes when Marc Laird chipped in after good build-up play by Assombalonga.

Blues boss Paul Sturrock praised his strike duo Tomlin and Assombalonga. He said: "The two of them are on fire at the moment and it's great to see. Gav has been quality for us

all season but he's now getting rewarded with goals which is great to see. He's got five in the last week and has been class alongside Britt who just has no fear."

"He's a young player who has a big future in the game and I'm delighted their latest goals helped us get back to winning ways at home because our results here in the league just recently hadn't been the best."

Assombalonga nearly gave Blues an early lead on nine minutes but his header came back off the woodwork, before Dale keeper Josh Lillis saved his shot on the turn.

Dale tested Blues keeper Paul Smith who saved Dele Adebola's shot and Gornell's header and produced a fantastic save to keep out Bobby Grant's 25-yard free-kick.

Dale made the breakthrough five minutes into the second half when



TAP IN: Gavin Tomlin puts Southend ahead.

Picture by Dave Montier

Phil Edwards' deep cross from the right allowed an unmarked Gornell to head home.

Southend were level on 57 minutes when Assombalonga picked up Laird's ball and drove the ball home from 20 yards out.

It was 2-1 60 seconds later as Tomlin scored his fifth goal in three games, tapping home after Lillis could only parry out Michael Timlin's cross.

Southend breathed easier on 76 minutes as Laird got on the score-sheet.

The Blues hit Dale on the counter with Laird picking up Assombalonga's through ball to be one-on-one with Lillis, producing a delicate chip over the onrushing keeper.

It rounded off a good week for the Blues who have now lifted themselves into fourth place and left them unbeaten in seven.

City settle for replay while Town dumped out of Trophy

Non League Football

CHELMSFORD City were held to a 1-1 draw by Hampton & Richmond Borough in the FA Trophy first round on Saturday.

The Claret's were due to host the replay at the Melbourne Stadium on Monday night to see who would progress to the next round, but unfortunately was postponed due to the weather.

After a goalless first half, Max Cornhill gave City, third in Blue Square South, the lead on 53 minutes but Borough fought back 10 minutes later through Charlie Moore.

Billerica Town failed to produce a giant-killing, losing 3-0 at home to Blue Square Premier outfit Cambridge United.

Blues fell behind on 40 minutes when Michael Gash scored with a penalty, and fell further behind eight minutes into the second half through Andy Pugh's strike.

The visitors made sure with a third two minutes from time with substitute Tom Elliott on target.

In Ryman League Premier, Concord Rangers were held to a 2-2 draw with leaders Whitehawk.

Jed Wallace (29) put the visitors ahead but Danny Spendlove (39) and Nicky Cowley (52) gave Concord a 2-1 lead. However, Joshua Jones (70) equalised for the Hawks to share the spoils as Concord sit in seventh place.

Thurrock's upturn in form continued with a 1-0 victory at bottom side Carshalton Athletic. Rhys Paul netted the winner just before the hour.

East Thurrock United threw away a 2-0 lead as Leiston came back to draw 2-2.

Reiss Gilbey (21) and Hakeem Araba (45) put Rocks in control but Leiston fought back through Patrick Brothers (49) and Emmanuel Osei (80).

Maldon & Tiptree extended their lead to ten points in Ryman North thanks to their 6-1 thrashing of Cheshunt.

A double from Joe Gardner set Maldon on their way with Chris Bryan (63 pen), Aaron Best-Riley (71), Ben Bradbury (73) and Dave

Wareham also on the scoresheet. Liam Foster (88) netted Cheshunt's consolation.

Maldon's near neighbours Heybridge Swifts are second following their convincing 5-0 victory at Romford. Doubles from Solomon Ofori (26, 63) and Michael Cheek (80, 89) put Swifts in control with James Bunn (76) also netting.

Darren Blewitt gave Brentwood Town a third minute lead at Needham Market and they held that lead until the 93rd minute as Kieran Leabon denied them the three points.

Waltham Forest suffered disappointment, losing 2-1 at Thamesmead Town. They fell 2-0 behind before new signing Kery Kedze scored on 65 minutes.

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